

City of Shannon Hills, Arkansas  
Regular City Council Meeting  
Oct 09, 2007

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Mayor Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call:** Present were Mayor Davis, Aldermen Robin Baker, Sue Skipper, Toni Cobb, James Smith, Dave Holsomback and Evelyn Cador and Recorder-Treasurer Curt Wilson. City Attorney Patrick Benca was absent

**Financial Report:** Recorder-Treasurer Wilson presented the financial report for Aug 2007. Financial summary was:

General Fund:

Checking account.....	\$21,401.35
Undeposited Cash .....	\$ 3,936.71
Reserve Fund .....	<u>\$32,210.57</u>
Total General Fund ...	\$56,548.63
 General Fund Revenue....	\$33,678.92
General Fund Expenditures	<u>\$32,806.95</u>
Net loss	\$ 871.97

Reader Board Fund ..... \$ 812.41

Street Fund:

Checking Account .....	\$76,292.29
Undeposited Cash .....	\$ 1,384.58
Reserve Fund .....	<u>\$36,949.03</u>
Total Street fund .....	\$114,625.90
 Street Fund Revenue....	\$ 1,480.14
Street Fund Expenditures	<u>\$11,923.49</u>
Net Gain	(\$10,443.35)

Motion to approve the report was made by Alderman Baker. A second was provided by Alderman Smith. In a roll Call vote, Aldermen Baker, Skipper, Smith, Holsomback and Cador voted "Yes," Alderman Cobb voted "No." The motion is approved.

**Minutes:** Minutes for the meeting held on August 14, 2007 and Sept 11, 2007 were presented for approval. A motion was made by Alderman Holsomback to accept both sets of minutes as printed. The motion received a second from Alderman Baker. The motion was approved by voice vote without opposition.

**Department Head Reports:**

The Department heads presented written reports. Copies of all of the reports are maintained in the office of the Recorder-Treasurer for public inspection.

Chief Friend presented the "Officer of the Quarter" award to Officer Eckman.

**Project Updates:**

Mayor Davis provided the following announcements:

*Sewer Plant* Construction is underway. Grub work (stump removal and ground preparation) is in progress.

*Aristotle* has installed their equipment on both water towers and are connecting customers.

Even though a lot of news coverage has been given to the current downturn in the housing industry, Construction and sales in Shannon Hills has slowed only a bit. In past month we have issued six (6) building permits. So far this year the city has collected just over \$25,000.00 from building permits.

*Responsibility* for maintenance and cleanup of right-of-way/easement area along the roadways was researched by City Attorney Benca. A written copy of what he found has been provided to each Alderman. Mayor Davis stated that he basically contends the land owner is responsible. The city can take action where safety is an issue.

New Pitt Bull law has been in effect for almost 1 month. So far it has proven to be very successful.

**Old Business:**

(none)

**New Business:****Item 1: Speed Limit change in Clover Hill by citizens request:**

Mayor Davis called for representatives of the Clover Hill Subdivision. None were present. Since no one appeared to present their issue, Alderman Holsomback made a motion to Table the Issue until Clover Hill representatives were present. Alderman Baker provided a second. In a roll call vote Aldermen Skipper, Cobb, Smith, Holsomback Cador and Baker voted "Yes." There were no opposing votes. The motion is approved.

**Item 2: Resolution to require Financial Reports to be distributed with the agendas for the meetings.**

Agenda's for regular meetings are required to be distributed on the Thursday prior to the Tuesday meetings. The Council has requested that the Financial reports be distributed with the agenda so they will have time to review it in more detail prior to the meeting.

Mayor Davis Read Resolution 2007-13 into the record. It was read as 2007-11 but that number has already been used.

Following a brief discussion Alderman Baker made a motion to adopt Resolution 2007-13 as read. Alderman Cobb provided a second. In a roll call vote Aldermen Cobb, Smith, Holsomback, Cador, Baker and Skipper voted "Yes." There were no opposing votes. The Resolution is approved.

**Item 3. Mayor Requests \$200.00 for police to distribute candy on Halloween.**

Mayor Davis stated that he was not going to sponsor "Spookfest" this year because there was not enough volunteer help to get it done. However he wanted to provide the candy for the police to distribute while on patrol.

Following some discussion A motion was made by Alderman Baker to approve the request for \$200.00 for Halloween candy. Alderman Smith provided a second. In a roll call vote, Aldermen Smith, Holsomback, Cador, Baker and Cobb voted "Yes." Alderman Skipper Abstained. The motion was approved.

**Comments:**

Mr. Robert Miller submitted a written FOI request for information.

Alderman Holsomback asked if there was an ordinance establishing who was in charge of servicing FOI requests at City Hall. Mayor Davis stated that an Ordinance was passed several years ago specifying the Mayor as the only person who was to respond to all FOI requests for information.

Mr. Miller also asked about the distance between speed bumps and the sign warning of the bump. Mr. Passmore stated that he was not aware of any regulation that specified a required distance.

Mel Aldridge announced that next Saturday (Oct 13, 2007) the Fire Dept was conducting an "Eat & Greet" and all citizens were invited.

Citizen Arty Blue asked about the city forming a city Sanitation Department. He stated that there were several trash services currently serving the city and as a result there were heavy trucks running on the streets every day of the week. Other citizens stated that the issue had been addressed before and that a lot of opposition came up so it was not pursued.

Citizen Ron Wood asked for speed limit signs and more patrol on Laddie Drive.

Alderman Cobb asked about getting the lot next to the Shopping center cleaned up. Mayor Davis stated that he had tried before to get something done there. It seems that since no buildings have ever been on the property it is classified as unimproved and as such cleanup cannot be enforced.

**A Motion to Adjourn** was made by Alderman Cador. A second was supplied by Alderman Baker. The motion was approved by a voice vote, with no opposition. The Meeting Adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Larance Davis, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Curt Wilson, Recorder-Treasurer